- (d) Exemptions are granted for one model year only and may be renewed annually, if supporting documentation is provided.
- (e) Exemptions may be granted in whole or in part. When granting an exemption in part, DOE may, depending upon the circumstances, completely relieve a covered person from complying with a portion of the vehicle acquisition requirements for a model year, or it may require a covered person to acquire all or some of the exempted vehicles in future model years.
- (f) The Assistant Secretary shall provide to the covered person within 45 days after receipt of a request that complies with this section, a written determination as to whether the State's request has been granted or denied
- (g) If a covered person is denied an exemption, that covered person may file an appeal within 30 days of the date of determination, pursuant to 10 CFR part 1003, subpart C, with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20585. The Assistant Secretary's determination shall be stayed during the pendency of an appeal under this paragraph.

§ 490.309 Annual reporting requirements.

- (a) If a person is required to comply with the vehicle acquisition schedule in section 490.302 or section 490.307, that person shall file an annual report under this section, on a form obtainable from DOE, with the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, EE-33, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585, or such other address as DOE may publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER, on or before the December 31 after the close of the applicable model year.
- (b) This report shall include the following information—
- (1) Number of new light duty motor vehicles acquired by the covered person in the United States during the model year:
- (2) Number of new light duty alternative fueled vehicles that are required to be acquired during the model year;
- (3) Number of new light duty alternative fueled vehicle acquisitions in

the United States during the model year;

- (4) Number of alternative fueled vehicle credits applied against acquisition requirements;
- (5) For each new light duty alternative fueled vehicle acquisition—
 - (i) Vehicle make and model;
 - (ii) Model year;
 - (iii) Vehicle Identification Number;
- (iv) Dedicated or dual-fueled (including flexible fuel); and
- (v) Type of alternative fuel the vehicle is capable of operating on.
- (c) If credits are applied against alternative fueled vehicle acquisition requirements, then a credit activity report, as described in subpart F, must be submitted with the report under this section to DOE.
- (d) Records shall be maintained and retained for a period of three years.

§490.310 Violations.

Violations of this subpart are subject to investigation and enforcement under subpart G of this part.

Subpart E [Reserved]

Subpart F—Alternative Fueled Vehicle Credit Program

§490.500 Purpose and Scope.

This subpart implements the statutory requirements of section 508 of the Act, which provides for the allocation of credits to fleets or covered persons who acquire alternative fueled vehicles in excess of the number they are required or obtain alternative fueled vehicles before the model year when they are first required to do so under this part.

§490.501 Applicability.

This subpart applies to all fleets and covered persons who are required to acquire alternative fueled vehicles by this part.

§ 490.502 Creditable actions.

A fleet or covered person becomes entitled to alternative fueled vehicle credits by—

(a) Acquiring alternative fueled vehicles, including those in excluded categories under section 490.3 of this part